

HOUSE BILL 544

By Daniel

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3, Chapter 2 and Title 3, Chapter 7, relative to the fiscal review committee.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3, Chapter 7, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) The fiscal review committee, or a subcommittee thereof appointed by the committee chair, shall consider and determine appeals of fiscal notes.

(b) The fiscal review committee shall develop and adopt a formal, written procedure for appeals of fiscal notes that includes:

(1) The requirements for filing an appeal and the time for consideration of the appeal;

(2) The burden of proof between the office of fiscal review and the legislative member;

(3) The right to offer written and oral arguments in connection with the appeal;

(4) The number of fiscal notes that may be appealed by a member in any session; provided, that the number of fiscal notes that may be appealed by a member must be no less than one (1) per session; and

(5) The time for issuing an order on the appeal.

(c) The fiscal review committee shall design the procedure for appeal to ensure the accuracy and fairness of, and confidence in, the appeal process.

(d) As used in this section, "fiscal note" means the statements relative to bills and amendments produced by the fiscal review committee pursuant to § 3-2-107.

SECTION 2. For purposes of developing and adopting the procedure for appeals, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, this act shall take effect July 1, 2019, the public welfare requiring it.